



Australia

In 2012-2013, 8,320 U.S. students studied abroad for academic credit in Australia.

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Education System Overview

Academic year: February 2014 – November 2014

Major school holidays/break: Easter, June/July and December/January

Major exam period: November

Structure of the university system:

- **Years of study required to earn a bachelor's degree:** 3 years
- **The language of instruction in universities:** English
- **Years of required English instruction in universities:** None
- **Degrees offered:** Bachelor's, Master's, and Doctorate

Resources

- Australian Curriculum Assessment and Certification Authorities
Website: <http://www.acaca.org.au>
- Universities Australia
Website: <http://www.universitiesaustralia.edu.au>
- Australian Education International
Website: <http://www.aei.gov.au>
- Australian Qualifications Framework
Website: <http://www.aqf.edu.au>
- Dept. of Education, Science and Training
Website: <http://www.dest.gov.au>



- NSW Board of Studies (responsible for the Higher School Certificate)
Website: <http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au>
- My School
Website: <http://www.myschool.edu.au>

Know before You Go

- [How to Apply for your U.S. Passport](#)
- [Security Messages for U.S. Citizens](#)
- [Country Specific Travel Information](#)

U.S. Government-Sponsored Study and Exchange Programs

- [Fulbright Program](#)
- [Fulbright-Hays Program](#)
- [Gilman International Scholarship](#)